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Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.97, §1.98, applicant is providing herewith a copy of the supplementary item listed on the attached U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Form PTO 1449. This information is supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO 1449 filed in the above-referenced case on August 16, 2001.

The submission of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 is not an admission that the art cited is "prior" with respect to the present invention, nor is it a representation that no better art exists. Applicants hereby reserve the right to swear behind or otherwise disprove any alleged "prior" nature of any art cited should the facts support and the situation warrant such an action.

It is submitted that the art cited does not constitute a bar to the patentability of Applicants' invention under 35 U.S.C. § 102 or § 103.

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Respectfully submitted,



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